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FIELD DEPLOYED SAM SITE B12-2 (116)
YEN BAI, NORTH VIETNAM
21-36-38N 105-07-18E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS A NEWLY IDENTIFIED FIELD DEPLOYED SAM SITE NEAR YEN BAI, THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH SITE TO BE IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

THE SITE IS LOCATED 14.5 NM SOUTHEAST OF YEN BAI.

3. BACKGROUND:

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ON [REDACTED] THE FIRST SAM SITE IN NORTH VIETNAM WAS OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY. THROUGH THE REMAINDER OF 1965 THE NUMBER OF SITES INCREASED TO SIXTY-FOUR. SITES 65 THROUGH 93 WERE FIRST OBSERVED IN FEBRUARY 1966, SITES 94 THROUGH 100 IN MARCH, SITE 101 IN APRIL, SITES 102 THROUGH 110 IN MAY, SITES 111 THROUGH 115 IN JUNE, AND SITES 116 THROUGH 122 IN JULY. SITES 10, 18, 20, 36, 49, AND 50 HAVE BEEN ABANDONED DURING THIS SIXTEEN-MONTH TIME SPAN, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF KNOWN SAM SITES IN NORTH VIETNAM TO ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN.

4. MISSION READOUT:

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[REDACTED] REVEALS THIS FIELD DEPLOYED SAM SITE TO CONSIST OF FIVE OCCUPIED LAUNCH POSITIONS (ONE WITH A MISSILE ON A

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LAUNCHER, AND FOUR WITH LAUNCHERS ONLY) AND AN OCCUPIED CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA. EQUIPMENT OBSERVED CONSISTS OF A CAMOUFLAGED FAN SONG RADAR, A SPOON REST RADAR, ONE EQUIPMENT VAN, A MISSILE ON A TRANSPORTER BEING TOWED BY A PRIME MOVER, A CAMOUFLAGED MISSILE TRANSPORTED, A TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE AND FOUR SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS, AN SA-2 LAUNCHER, ONE PROBABLE CAMOUFLAGED MISSILE, AND A PROBABLE CAMOUFLAGED VAN.

BLUE SPRINGS [REDACTED] REVEALS THE CONFIGURATION OF THE FIELD DEPLOYED SAM SITE.

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SPOON REST RADAR

TRUCK-MOUNTED
CRANE

BOGIE WHEELS

YEN BAI 14.5 NM

CENTRAL GUIDANCE AREA
LAUNCH POSITION
BOGIE WHEELS

PRIME MOVER AND MISSILE
ON TRANSPORTER

TRANSPORTER WITH MISSILE

MISSILE ON
TRANSPORTER

SA-2 LAUNCHER

MISSILE ON TRANSPORTER

PRIME MOVER

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